



FACT SHEET

GRID RESILIENCE STATE AND TRIBAL FORMULA GRANTS: TENNESSEE

As states, tribes, and territories face threats from severe weather, the **Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grants** will distribute **\$2.3 billion** over five years to strengthen and modernize America's power grid against wildfires, extreme weather, and other natural disasters that are exacerbated by the climate crisis. The first round of funding applies to fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

In support of President Biden's Investing in America agenda in September 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded **\$15,205,970** to **Tennessee** via the Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grants program, which is supported by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

State awards are based on a formula that includes factors such as population size, land area, probability and severity of disruptive events, and a locality's historical expenditures on mitigation efforts. Under the administration of the **Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation**, Tennessee will hold a competitive selection process to identify projects for which the roughly \$15 million in federal funding will be deployed.

GOALS INCLUDE

- › Improving grid resilience by maintaining and enhancing the reliability of the electric grid and minimizing the frequency and duration of power outages resulting from natural hazards.
- › Promoting grid equity by ensuring that benefits are distributed equitably, particularly for communities that are more susceptible to electric power outages.
- › Supporting Tennessee's grid workforce by strengthening the workforce responsible for implementing grid reliability and resilience projects.

HELPFUL LINKS

- › [Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program](#)
- › [About the Grid Deployment Office](#)

